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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 01/30/2018

Someone might have thought it was already spring when looking out a window. We reclaimed our right to be called the "Sunshine State" since the sun was shining brightly the day of our last meeting. Open the door, however, and it was quickly discovered, based on the 46-degree temperature, that winter has not yet released its grip of Pensacola. Oh well...at least we found warmth upon arriving at New World Landing with the greeting received from the smiling, friendly greeters, **Matthew Vinson** and **Roger Vinson**. Ticket sales by **Doug Werber** and **Al Coby** later produced a very happy winner (and lots of disappointed losers) with a \$53 jackpot.

Assistant District Governor, **Innes Richards**, called the meeting to order. Following the Four Way Test, the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by **Sally Fox**. Special announcements made by Innes included that the Board recently approved no lunch charges for potential members invited by members to participate in our weekly meetings (limited to three per potential member). *This mean "all y'all" need to think about who might become a member and to invite them to join us.*

Additional announcements included that volunteer sign-up sheets are available for this year's Rotary Against Hunger campaign with Manna. Families are invited but children need to be at least 10 years old. Innes announced the District Governor challenge for the one-million-dollar dinner for the Foundation. She pointed out multiple ways to

contribute, including posthumously. Innes also recognized **Margaret Scott** for her many, significant contributions by awarding her the Major Donor Pin. Our newest member, **Richard Fountain**, was also introduced by **Ed Ranelli**. Welcome **Rick**!

Not to be outdone with the sun outside, **Lori Menke** brought us brighter sunshine inside. Finding a joke or two that goes over well seems to be a challenge for all Sunshiners, or is just our fun in giving our Sunshine volunteers a friendly, hard time? Lori announced there were no military guests, introduced our three member guests and the two visiting Rotarians. Member birthdays were also celebrated. **Leonard Swartz** and **Norris McMahon** were present to receive the outstanding choral rendition of Happy Birthday by the membership.

Mark Harden introduced our guest speaker, **Susan L. Davis**, FACHE, President/ CEO of Sacred Heart. Susan has been the CEO since 2012. She started her remarks by informing us that the severe flu strain seems to be declining as the frequency of "B" cases is increasing in the balance. Good news for sure! As she moved into her presentation, she shared that Sacred Heart is expanding from a primarily hospital-centric care modality to moving services closer to where people reside, hence the number of urgent care centers seen developing around the greater community.

Moving member services to where people are and reducing time spent in ER rooms are the

reasons for this move. She shared that about 103,000 patients are seen each year in the ER, most of whom don't need ER care. Even with the three clinics opened to date, the ER visits have seen an increase of 6-7%. Sacred Heart's three primary objectives with the clinics is to increase access to medical services, improve ease of service, and reducing the time to receive service. In keeping with this theme, Sacred Heart is now moving into tele-medicine (phone and video) and using the internet to make assessments and review needs.

Other significant items shared were that Sacred Heart has teamed up with the University of Florida to begin kidney transplants locally. To date, Birmingham was the nearest place for transplants. With this new service, patients in our region will have better access. The Studer Children Hospital, a \$75 million building project, is progressing well and will be another regional success story. On a final note, Susan shared with us the news of "Sprout," a beautiful, friendly blond that provides comfort for certain patients. This blond is a Golden Retriever trained as a comfort animal for children in the hospital. If you want to win a trivia contest, ask the players if it's true that Sacred Heart borrows a horse to help in patient treatment. In fact, they borrow one once a month to help with recovery. The traditional medical field is expanding in directions many of us would never have imagined. Bring on the future!

Randy Ray

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Bob Overton says that a Saturday morning one hour survey showed that in that brief period visitors from five states enjoyed exhibits in The University's Historic District.
- ❖ Jon Griffith's watching the calendar, for in three weeks Spring training will begin for major league ball players, and the Blue Wahoos roster will be known shortly thereafter. (Perhaps the club will have its own Night At The Ball park this year.)
- ❖ Roger Vinson has his notepad ready cause word is that works about to begin on the 31 million restoration project at the Palafox-Garden federal courthouse. Roger will be much involved, seeking to make things right there.
- ❖ Question: is Carol Law's office much involved in the current national drug crackdown? If yes...wouldn't be an interesting program?
- ❖ Hats off to Grover Robinson for his excellent editorial on what's been going on in Florida Constitutional revision.
- ❖ During these weeks in 1918 our newly organized club and member were dieting... cause WWI had brought about Breadless Wednesday and Meatless Saturdays.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

Welcome new member, Howard Reddy. Howard is a native of Carlow, Ireland. He has been with UWF since 2013 and is the current Interim Vice President. He received his law degree from University College in Dublin and his music degree from Curtis Institute of Music. Howard and his wife Hanan have two children. He is a member of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and volunteers for the Fiesta Board of Governors.

Welcome new member, Richard "Rick" Fountain. Rick is a native of Pensacola. He received his B.A. from UWF, J.D. at Ole Miss, and LLM at U of Florida. Rick is the Chairman of Accounting and Financing at UWF College of Business. He is on the National Board of Directors for the Cenikor Foundation. Rick and his wife Margot have four children and he has been a Rotarian in Jackson, Mississippi for over 10 years.

It's that time of year again, CROP Rotarians will pack 75,000 meals for the clients of MANNA on February 24th! MANNA uses the CROP meals throughout the year to feed the hungry in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Rotary Club of Pensacola is recruiting volunteers for two shifts on February 24th, 8 am – 10am and 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. We encourage you to bring another volunteer as this is a great way to expose potential members to the fellowship of Rotary and include your spouse and children (please only bring children 10 and up). Sign-up sheets will be on the tables over the next few weeks, you can also email Preston Forshee at piforshee@pensacolalaw.com. Thank you for your participation.

New member drive through April. Any potential new members you bring to the meetings through the month of April, there will be no charged for their lunch.

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Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	New World Landing	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends Restaurant Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
Milton	Red Barn on Hwy. 90	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	5:30 pm
Perdido	Triggers Restaurant	Wed.	7:30 am
Cantonment	Scenic Hills Country Club	Wed.	12:15 pm
Cordova	Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Pace	Stonebrook Village	Thur.	7:00 am
Suburban West	Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
Navarre	The Tuscan Grill	Thur.	12:00 pm
Pensacola North	Hidden Creek Golf Course - Check navarrerotary.org Asbury Place Cokesbury Methodist	Friday	12:00 pm

District Governor

Lisa Broxson Weeks
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Assistant District Governor

Innes Richards

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
February 6th through February 12

Ed Ranelli – February 8
born in Birmingham, AL, in Rotary 17 years

Grover Robinson – February 11
born in Gainesville, FL, in Rotary 22 years

GREETERS/TICKET SALES

February 6

Greeters - Jack Williams and Denise Windham
Ticket Sales - Ed Wonders and Ken Woolf

February 13

Greeters - Ellis Bullock, Jr and Ellis Bullock III
Ticket Sales - Charles Beall and Frank Beall

PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

February 6

Prayer and Pledge - Randy Ray Sunshine - Alan Bookman

February 13

Prayer and Pledge - Chris Kelly Sunshine - Vicki Campbell

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

February - Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

6	Noon	Regular Meeting
13	Noon	Regular Meeting
20	Noon	Regular Meeting
	1:00	Board Meeting, New World Landing
27	Noon	Regular Meeting

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

February

6	John Appleyard
13	Christian Garman, Innovation Institute
20	Chip Simmons, Escambia County Sheriffs Department, Community Outreach and Youth Programs

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